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SUBJECT: WORLD POPULATION CONFERENCE

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1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. GUYANA DELEGATES TO CONFERENCE WILL BE MIN HEALTH DR. OLIVER (MONTY) HARPER (CHAIRMAN), MS. PAMELA CHASE (HEAD OF STATISTICAL BUREAU IN MIN ECON DEVELOPMENT), AND STILL UNSELECTED THIRD DELEGATE PROBABLY FROM MINISTRY HEALTH. HARPER IS U.S. CITIZEN BORN IN GUYANA, LIVED 26 YEARS IN U.S., FRIENDLY AND REALISTIC IN ATTITUDES TOWARD U.S. HAS MASTERS DEGREE FROM COLUMBIA UNIV. IN EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH AND DOCTORATE IN DENTAL MEDICINE FROM HOWARD UNIV. IS FIRST COUSIN OF PM BURNHAM'S WIFE.

2. GOG POSITION ON POPULATION, IN SIMPLIFIED TERMS, IS THAT RE-DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME, PARTICULARLY BETWEEN DC'S AND LDC'S IS MUCH MORE IMPORTANT THAN RATE OF POPULATION INCREASE OR ABSOLUTE NUMBERS OF POPULATION. INTERNALLY, GOG CONSIDERS GUYANA TO BE UNDER-POPULATED AND MAY WELL OPPOSE INTERNATIONAL GOALS AND COMMITMENTS FOR
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REDUCING POPULATION GROWTH RATE. END UNCLASSIFIED.

3. HARPER, HOWEVER, DOES NOT COMPLETELY SHARE GOG VIEW-
POINT, AND PERSONALLY SEEMS SYMPATHETIC TO U.S.
POSITION. WHILE HE MAY BE CONSTRAINED BY INSTRUCTIONS
TO OPPOSE U.S.O INITIATIVES AT CONFERENCE, HIS PERSONAL
FEELINGS AND BACKGROUND MAY MAKE HIM USEFUL INTER-
MEDIARY WITH RADICAL AND PRO-NATALIST LDC'S. WE
RECOMMEND THAT HE BE CULTIVATED BY U.S. DEL'S. KREBS

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